GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA

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STORAGE OF PADDY
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Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) the actual quantity of paddy stored in the Food Corporation of India godowns as on date in each State;

(b) the actual quantity of paddy declared unfit for human consumption because of passage of time, effects of weather and destruction by rodents; and

(c) the steps taken for creation of more storage for paddy?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI SU MAHARIA)

(a): As on 31st March, 2003, there was a stock of 0.72 lakh MT (approximately) of paddystored in the godowns of the FCI in the States as indicated below:-

(in lakh MT)

State	Stock of paddy
Bihar	0.08
Madhya Pradesh	0.01
Punjab	0.51
Rajasthan	0.12
Total	0.72

(b): There was a total stock of 2004 MT of paddy declared unfit for human consumption with FCI as on 31st March, 2003.

(c): The present storage capacity with FCI for foodgrains including paddy, is considered adequate. Cover and Plinth (CAP) storage is created if additional storage is required for paddy.